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STANDARD CERTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED WENTWORTH STREET BRIDGE OVER PACOIMA DIVERSION CHANNEL: BRIDGE NO. 53C-3179 PROJECT (Corps' Project No. 2002-01415-PJF), PACOIMA DIVERSION CANAL, A TRIBUTARY TO TUJUNGA WASH, CITY OF LOS ANGELES, LOS ANGELES COUNTY (File No. 02-100)

Dear Mr. See:

Regional Board staff has reviewed your request on behalf of the City of Los Angeles (the Applicant) for a Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification for the above-referenced project. Your application was deemed complete on December 23, 2002.

I hereby certify that any discharge from the Wentworth Street Bridge over Pacoima Diversion Channel: Bridge No. 53C-3179 Project, as proposed and described in Attachment A, if performed in accordance with all applicable water quality objectives, prohibitions, and policies set forth in the *Water Quality Control Plan, Los Angeles Region* (1994), and in accordance with the conditions specified in Attachment B, will comply with the applicable water quality standards and other appropriate requirements, including the provisions of Sections 301, 302, 303, 306, and 307 of the Clean Water Act.

The Applicant shall be liable civilly for any violations of this certification in accordance with the California Water Code. This certification does not eliminate the Applicant's responsibility to comply with any other applicable laws, requirements and/or permits.

Should you have questions concerning this certification action, please contact Jason Lambert, Section 401 Program, at (213) 576-5733.

[Original Signed By:]

[January 6, 2003]

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ATTACHMENT A

Project Information

File No. 01-000

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Phone: (213) 847-5464 Fax: (213) 847-5633
3. Project Name: Wentworth Street Bridge over Pacoima Diversion Channel: Bridge No. 53C-3179 Project
4. Project Location: City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County
Latitude: 34° 13' 55.33002'; Longitude: 118° 25' 5.26431"
5. Type of Project: Bridge Widening and Retrofitting
6. Project Description: *Purpose:* The purpose of the proposed project is to rehabilitate the Wentworth Street Bridge so that it meets current standards.

Description: The proposed project will replace the current bridge superstructure in order to improve load carrying capacity. This project will also construct railings, repave the current road surface, replace the damaged curb and gutter, and widen the bridge in order to allow for the installation of sidewalks. Impacts associated with this project will include the temporary access into the channel and the temporary placement of sandbags within the channel to serve as a collection basin for any possible nuisance runoff associated with construction.
7. Federal Agency/Permit: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

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| 8. Other Required
Regulatory Approvals: | (Permit No. 2002-01415-PJF)
California Department of Fish and Game
Streambed Alteration Agreement (Notification No. 5-2002-0041) |
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| 9. California Environmental
Quality Act (CEQA)
Compliance: | The proposed project is Categorical Exempt from CEQA pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301 (Existing Facilities). |
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| 10. Receiving Water: | Pacoima Diversion Canal, a tributary to Tujunga Wash (Hydrologic Unit No. 405.21) |
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| 11. Designated Beneficial
Uses: | MUN, GWR, REC-1, REC-2, WARM, COLD, and WILD |
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| 12. Impacted Waters of the
United States: | Non-wetland waters (concrete-lined channel): 0.1 temporary acres |
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| 13. Dredge Volume: | None |
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| 14. Related Projects
Implemented/to be
Implemented by the
Applicant: | <p>The Applicant has identified one similar project in the same receiving water planned for implementation in the next 5 years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Van Nuys Boulevard Bridge over Pacoima Diversion Channel, Bridge No. 53C-1355 |
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| 15. Avoidance/Minimization
Activities: | <p>The Applicant has proposed to implement several Best Management Practices, including, but not limited to, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sandbags shall be placed 10 feet downstream from construction site to create retention basin for collecting any possible discharge water and construction materials, and anything collected shall be properly |

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disposed of at the end of each day;

- Stockpile of earth and other construction related material shall be protected from being transported from the site by wind or water;
- Excess or waste concrete will not be washed into the channel or any drainage system;
- Excess or waste concrete will be retained on site and disposed of properly or recycled;
- Trash and construction related solid wastes shall be deposited into a covered receptacle to prevent contamination of rainwater and dispersal by wind;
- Good housekeeping practice at the construction site such as dust control, site perimeter control and clean-up at the construction site on daily basis is required;
- Erosion control techniques include silt fences, hay bales, and sand bags;
- Construction operations will take place in the dry seasons or when there is little or no flow in the channel, and
- Construction equipment shall be properly maintained to prevent pollution from entering the channel.

**16. Compensatory
Mitigation:**

The Applicant has not proposed any compensatory mitigation in order to offset the proposed temporary impacts, and this agency will not require any.

ATTACHMENT B

Conditions of Certification File No. 02-100

STANDARD CONDITIONS

Pursuant to §3860 of Title 23 of the California Code of Regulations (23 CCR), the following three standard conditions shall apply to this project:

1. This certification action is subject to modification or revocation upon administrative or judicial review, including review and amendment pursuant to §13330 of the California Water Code and Article 6 (commencing with 23 CCR §3867).
2. This certification action is not intended and shall not be construed to apply to any activity involving a hydroelectric facility and requiring a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) license or an amendment to a FERC license unless the pertinent certification application was filed pursuant to 23 CCR Subsection 3855(b) and the application specifically identified that a FERC license or amendment to a FERC license for a hydroelectric facility was being sought.
3. Certification is conditioned upon total payment of any fee required pursuant to 23 CCR Chapter 28 and owed by the Applicant.